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Ms. Magalie Roman Salas Secretary **Federal Communications Commission** The Portals 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

CC Docket Nos. 94-1/96-262, and RM 9210

Dear Ms. Salas:

Re:

Yesterday, Susanne Guyer and Frank Gumper, representing Bell Atlantic, had separate meetings with Kyle Dixon, Legal Assistant to Commissioner Powell, Linda Kinney, Legal Assistant to Commissioner Ness, and Sarah Whitesell, Legal Assistant to Commissioner Tristani, regarding the items captioned above. The attached material formed the basis of discussion at each of the meetings.

Any questions on this filing should be directed to me at the address shown above.

Sincerely,

Attachment

cc: Mr. K. Dixon

Ms. L. Kinney

Ms. S. Whitesell

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Petition for Forbearance and Pricing Flexibility



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The ALTS' "Study" Is Meaningless

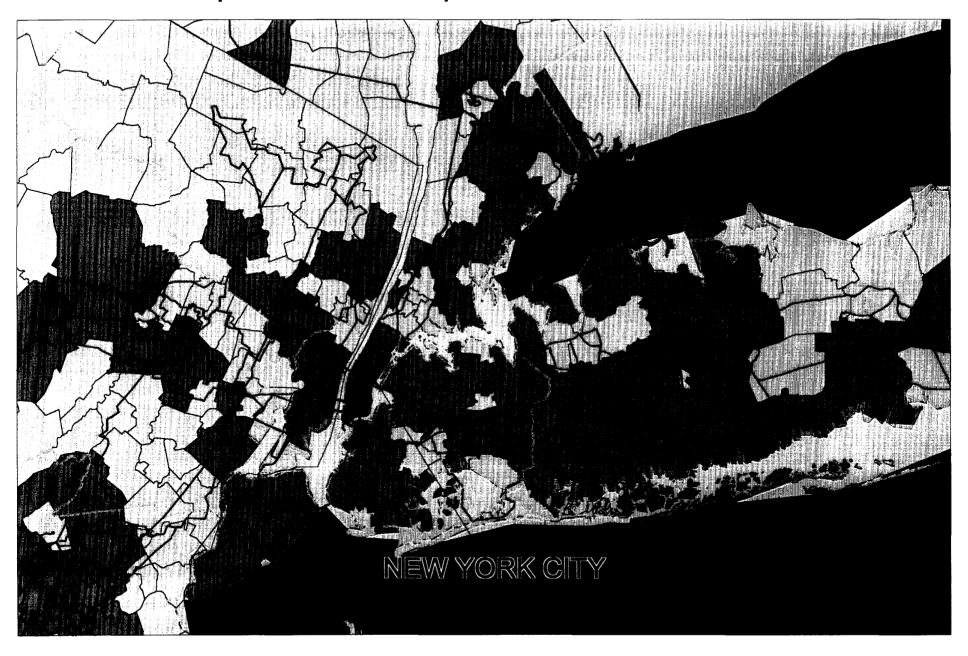
 It consists of nothing but a patchwork of hypothetical "what ifs" with no factual data to support absurd conclusions and recommendations.

- Unrealistic Criteria For Relief
 - » Collocation in all ILEC wire centers
 - » Route by route analysis of interoffice transport
 - » 20% of the ILEC business loops resold or provided as UNEs

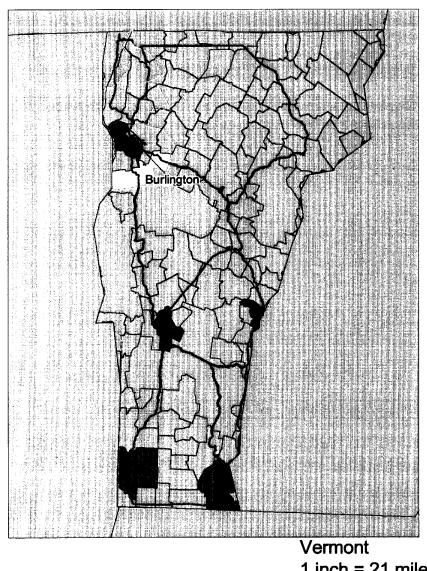
Bell Atlantic Pricing Flexibility Principles

- Administratively simple process
- Decrease regulation as competition increases
 - » Allow deaveraged rates and targeted rate reductions
 - » Provide clear path for removal of all price regulation
- Criteria and Triggers must be
 - » Explicit
 - » Measurable
 - » Verifiable
- Comprehensive -- must address all markets
 - » Services
 - » Geographic areas

Status of Competition in Metropolitan New York



Competition in non-MSA Areas



1 inch = 21 miles



Delaware 1 inch = 13 miles

Other Concerns

- Respond to RFPs
 - » Customers with demand across MSA and non-MSA
- Facilities-based competition
- Criteria for non-MSA relief
- Lower Formula Adjustment

SUMMARY

- Meaningful relief must include reasonable opportunity to remove services from price caps
- Criteria for relief must be realistically attainable
- Provisions must also allow for relief for non-MSAs